



The Marriott Resort is hiring!
This weekend's job fair was a great success

Hundreds of job seekers haunted the halls of the Amsterdam meeting rooms of the Marriott Resort this weekend in the hopes of obtaining a job at what has now become a mega-resort. Timothy Matthew, Human Resources Manager revealed that the resort now employs 1000 people, but with the final phases of the new Surf Club soon to open, that number will jump to 1700 all told. This means that the resort is looking to hire another 700 individuals in a wide variety of positions, and it is a long process, involving pre-interviews, final interviews, and reference checks.

Mr. Matthew also stated that they have established programs in St. Martaan and in Holland to find employees in their ever-increasing demand for quality labor. The benefits of joining the Marriott work force are excellent, as loyal employees can attest, but it is still difficult to find a sufficient number for the three phases of the enormous complex. "We have made an agreement with Holland to repatriate many Arubans and Antillians that have gone to live in Holland," he explains. "A training program has been established in Holland for these individuals, and then they come to Aruba and our resort to do an internship for six months, which is subsidized; just like a stage, the Dutch interns. If it works out, and we are satisfied with them as an employee, then a job offer is made. In this way, we are helping to bring Aruba's young people back to the island."

Even Cory Guest, the Director of Human Resources was giving his time in conducting pre-interviews, and Tim Matthews expressed great appreciation and admiration for all the department managers that gave up their weekend and worked so hard to make the Job Fair a success.

Though hundreds of applications were accepted and interviews took place, it will take until about mid-November to notify successful applicants, and even then, there will still be plenty of job openings, including in the sales department. Interested parties can apply at the Human Resources offices in the Marriott Resort.